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THE RACE'S LEADER!

THE FRIENDS OF BOOKER T. WASHINGTON AFTER CONSPIRATORS.

EDITOR R. W. THOMPSON'S LOGIC

And Rhetoric Paints a True Picture of the Great Industrial Educator and Flays Ferris Wheels Fearlessly—The Monument at Tuskegee.

Washington, D. C., Special.—The friends of Dr. Booker T. Washington are stirred to the depths of their souls by the unfair assaults that for some months have been coming out of Boston, planned and executed under the direction of the clique of conspirators who publish the Boston Guardian. With a degree of patience that passeth all understanding, Dr. Washington has gone on with his work, offering no protest, refusing to submit argument in kind by way of rebuttal and trusting to the common sense of the people to sustain him in his lofty endeavors. Only when members of his immediate family were subjected to attack did he utter one word of explanation—and in this he stands justified by all men.

WASHINGTON'S FRIENDS INDIGNANT.

But the friends of the Tuskegee Wizard have not been so patient. They have read the Guardian's villainous editorials with burning indignation, and the libelous cartoons have filled them with disgust. The Boston sheet seemed to exist for the sole and spacific purpose ot breaking down the influence of the race's natural and universally accepted leader, but the climax of the obscene drama of destruction was not reached nor was the infamous plot fully exposed until one "Prof." W. H. Ferris showed up in the city ot Washington with a trunk heavily laden with copies of the Guardian and a mouthful of specious talk, both of which he distributed with a prodigality bordering upon recklessness. He talked early, often and late, and as Hamlet harped upon the daughter of Polonius, so did "Prof." Ferris harp upon the Boston idea of Dr. Washington, rattling off as by note the bottled-up abuse pumped into him by William Monroe Trotter, his patron saint, aided and abetted by Forbes, Morgan and the rest of the unspeakable coterie that misrepresent the worthy and aspiring colored citizens of New England's metropolis.

ONE "FERRIS" ON THE GRIDDLE.

"Who is Ferris?" the intelligent reader will ask. Frankly, we do not know, except that he claims to hold degrees from Harvard, Yale and other institutions, that he has at some time taught school in Florida and is now subsisting upon a farm in Rhode Island by the kindly indulgence of an affluent friend of Booker Washington, and practicing the foul art of ingratitude by serving as a tool to rake out of the fire the chestnuts of vengeance sought by Trotter and his gang—a beneficiary at Wakefield of the industrial teachings of Washington, and where he is earning the first decent salary of his life, for the sake of a few additional sheckels he turns from his own poultry yard and plays the part of Judas Iscariot to the principles upon which he thrives. Ferris delivered a speech before historic Bethel Literary, and his only reward for the senseless harangue foisted upon that cultured clientele was to offend the right thinking and to draw to Washington's standard admirers who heretofore had been passive as to speech and action. The ulterior motive of the Guardian's envy was so plain that a word of protest against such a cowardly attempt at assassination arose at once, culminating in a great public meeting under the auspices ot the Second Baptist Lyceum, on Sunday, Jan. 25th. The principal speaker was Mr. R. W. Thompson, the well known news writer, a journalist of national reputation and an enthusiastic champion of practical education.

THOMPSON'S MASTERLY PLEA.

The speech ot Mr. Thompson will stand out as a masterpiece of logic, eloquence and knowledge of a subject. His keen grasp of Dr. Washington's philosophy and methods was apparent throughout, and the evidence brought forward to clear the Tuskegee Wizard from the unfair allegations of his critics gave evidence of the possession of ample material and close study of details. The audience was large and enthusiastic and was typical of Washington culture and learning. The frequent applause testified that the sympathy of the masses was with the apostle of fundamental training. If the speaker was embarrassed by anything, it was by the richness of the resources at his command and the limited time allowed for their presentation.

THE WIZARD'S FRIENDS AND FOES.

The introductory matter analyzed the noble character of the man, told of his lofty ideals in thought and morals, and described the confidence and esteem he had won on two continents, at the hands of philosophers, scientists, captains of industry, masters of finance, moulders of law and exponents of the gospel. It told of honors bestowed by queens, princes and presidents, degrees conferred by the grandest universities, and his standing as the trusted chancellor of the Chief Executive of the world's most illustious government. It would seem, declared Mr. Thompson, that the wisdom of a man can be depended upon who has earned and held an exalted place in the minds of such nation builders as Theodore Roosevelt, Grover Cleveland, John J. Rockefeller, J. P. Morgan, Andrew Carnegie, and the Baldwins, the Ogdens, the Currys, the Peabodys, and Jesups and the leaders of both races in every activity of life. Compare the weight of these eminent characters, who endorse the man and his work, with that of Washington's critics and defamers—it is as the mountain to the mole-hill, the giant to the pigmy. Mr. Washington is doing more and worth more than all the other race leaders put together. He needs no defense, for his monument at Tuskegee is a convincing evidence of the practical value of his system of education for the people who need elementary training most. It is strange, indeed, that the little coterie of doctrinaires in Boston, and a few superficial dreamers in the cities of the North should possess a wisdom so superior to the forces that have developed our land, built our railroads and are conducting the greatest commercial interests on earth. The friends of the Wizard and his critics offer a comparison that is calculated to make angels weep and cause the stoic to break forth into hilarious laughter.

WHY THE MEETING WAS HELD.

This great meeting was held for the purpose of challenging the lies that have gone forth respecting Dr. Washington's position upon several questions of the hour—to give out his exact utterances and clear away the fog placed around them by loud mouthed and malicious enemies. His friends had grown tired of the continued and unjustifiable assaults upon his integrity, sincerity and judgment, and felt that it was time to give the truth a hearing. Dr. Washington's friends do not intend that his enemies shall hold the floor forever and confuse the public mind by charging him with things of which he is not guilty, or quoting him as the author of sentiments that he has never dreamed of uttering. The meeting was the formal registration of a protest, and if necessary, a declaration of war.

WHAT THE ADDRESS PROVED.

Mr. Thompson, placing Dr. Washington on the stand as a witness for himself, quoting directly from many letters and speeches, proved the following propositions to be the underlying principles of the "Tuskegee idea":

1. That all progress of nations and races has its beginning in the soil.

2. That permanent growth depends upon the industrial arts, supplemented by mental training in sympathy therewith, ultimately increasing the efficiency of the work of the hand.

3. That agriculture must naturally be the chief industry of a primitive people for a long period, out of which will grow not only the skilled occupations, but furnish a wage-earning fulcrum upon which the professional classes may build for prosperity.

4. That labor of any kind is dignified by the skill that is put into it, and is elevated by the character of the individuals engaged in it.

5. That the Negro is developing strength through trial, and the instinct of self-help is stimulated by present hardships—as is illustrated by his steady increase in prosperity, education and well equipped men and women.

6. That while we have lost in congress and state legislatures, we have gained in material possessions—more schools, more teachers, more churches, more business enterprises, more professional devotees, more farms.

7. That the habit of industry is the first essential to character and that idleness is the virulent germ of crime.

8. That the possession of dollars diminishes race animosities, levels distunctions, opens doors of opportunity and is itself devoid of prejudice.

9. That it is the duty of every man to demand every right guaranteed by the constitution, but it is of equal importance that he deserve them—that quiet, persistent, eternal, unostentatious effort to prove our worthiness is the surest road to preferment.

10 That Dr. Washington contends for the race the highest education obtainable; he is in sympathy with the loftiest aspirations and earnestly speaks for the enjoyment by all of every privilege, but insists that the nature of the education bestowed be adopted to the individual and his environment.

11. That Dr. Washington is on record as saying that "there is no position in arts, letters, science or statesmanship that I would withhold from any people, but I am most interested just now in laying a firm foundation"—which refutes all statements to the contrary.

12. That he regards the "jim crow" car as an abomination, but that the Negro who is forced into one can find some satisfaction in knowing in his own heart that a superior man and not an inferior being has been made to suffer unjustly.

13. That he is not a politician in the sense of espousing the cause of one party or faction as against another, or of controlling political conventions, or of seeking or holding office; his attitude is that of an educator, whose interest in governmental affairs is dictated by a belief that the cause of edu-

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THE HOUR AND THE MAN.

GOOD ADVICE GIVEN!

TO NEGROES WHO ARE INTERESTED IN BUSINESS AFFAIRS.

CONSIDERATIONDUE TO PATRONS

Should be Given Much Thought if we Desire our Business to Increase—Willing Workers Royally Entertained—Society's Brilliant Whirl.

Dallas, Tex., Special.—Let those of our race who are business inclined, be more cordial to their patrons, both black and white. Learn that your interest is to be sacrificed and that the future is to be made so that your business will prosper. We are not opposed to the Negro in business of any calling, but we know that if a greater consideration is given to customers in the various Negro establishments much of the trade now going to white business places would be secured by them. Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Thomas royally entertained the Willing Workers' club on Tuesday night to a luncheon at the Swiss and Pacific restaurant. The Peoples Life and Benefit society is rapidly climbing to the top, and solicits your patronage. Quite an interesting program was rendered Thursday evening in honor of Lincoln's birthday. The smart set and a number of club friends will entertain at Odd Fellows' hall to-night. There will be decorated booths, choice music and a "trip around the world." Rev. H. E. Brown has been called as pastor of Randall Freewill Baptist church, which he has accepted. Carson Taylor, of Ft. Worth, visited in the city last week. Willie Lee and John Boyce, of Kansas City, are visiting relatives and friends in the city. Mrs. Nancy McCoy, of McKinny, accompanied Mrs. Robert Williams home and will be a guest of friends in the city for several weeks. The Ladies' Reading Circle met at the home of Miss Maggie Tyler on Thursday afternoon. After the completion of business an excellent lunch and refreshmens were served. J. C. Browning arrived from Paris on Thursday with his bride, which was a surprise to his many friends. They are stopping temporarily at 160 Cobell street. Mrs. Lovie Drake, one of the pioneer citizens of Dallas, was stricken with paralysis on Tuesday of last week, Mrs. Sarah Parker of Tyler is here visiting her mother in Young street. J. T. Hill was in Ft. Worth last week on business. Mr. Coleman, of Denison, spent several days in the city last week. Editor W. E. King, of the Express, received the sad news from Meridian, Miss., last week that his mother was dead, and that she had passed away in full triumph of the faith. Mr. King and his nephew attended the funeral. We are to have a $250,000 hotel next September. Henry Dean, a prominent waiter, has forwarded another of his inventions to the Patent office at Washington. He intends to push the new invention in every way. Rev. G. H. Harlee, of Memphis, Tenn., spent a few days in the city, enroute to Sherman. Rev. George Bradshaw has returned to Atlanta, after a brief visit to his mother in this city. He and congregation will erect a new edifice in the near future. Henry Wheeler, a member of Algiers Lodge No. 44, K of P., was buried from Macedonia Baptist church on Wednesday, under the auspices of the above named order. Spears' military band furnished music

Club Gives Reception.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Special.—On Tuesday evening the Electric City Social club gave their first of a series of receptions at their club rooms on Erie street. Miss Catherine Taylor, who has been visiting relatives in Buffalo for the past two weeks, will return next Sunday. Quite a number of our people attended the N O. club ball in Lockport on the 6th, among whom were Mrs. Jordan and daughter, Mrs D. Smith, Edw. Smith and Mrs. C. E. Smith. Mrs. Wm. Taylor visited out of the city on Monday. Francis Jordan and Mr. Black spent Friday in Lockport.

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THE OBJECT OF THE GOSPEL.

A Timely and Forcible Argument Deserving of Careful Perusal.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—To one knowing the object of the gospel, not a few of the modern preachers, might appear ignorant and unconscious of its true purport, for they shoot wide of the mark, and why? Is it not because it is being converted to other rather than the ends for which it was established? The gospel, it would seem, was established to correct and cure the malady of sin in mankind, which is the most grievous of maladies. If the gospel is the remedy for sin, and the preacher be the herald of its message, then why withhold it and allow millions of the race to wreck their lives in the vortex of sin without a word of warning? Why spend the time every Sabbath ranting while the people are indulging in sins which are damning the race? If those who preach would preach a pure and simple gospel every Sabbath to their congregations, parents and teachers would have less evil to correct in the conduct of their children and pupils; perhaps there would be less evil emanating from the lives of those of riper years, and the children could breath a purer atmosphere. The gospel minister who knows and loves his duty to God and man will certainly oppose sin in all its inroads on the souls of men and the homes that dot the hills and dales of this country. The gospel will beat all the legislation that can be enacted in the solution of the race problem.

The minister is a potent factor in shaping the destiny of nations when he uses the gospel of the Son of God, which is in opposition to all sin. The gospel, when preached without compromise, fights down every dissimilar power and renovates the nation. Like the prophet, the minister sighs for tears to pour out for the destruction of his people, or like his Master, he weeps because of the stubbornness of his countrymen.

It would be a pity if the people living between the line of Canada on the north and the Gulf of Mexico on the south, he Atlantic on the east and the Pacific on the west, were smitten with a direful disease, but it would be worse if there should be but one remedy for this disease, and this withheld from the diseased and dying, but this would but dimly shaddow the condition of that people whose minister fails to administer the pure word of God. He is made the dispenser of this great remedy to a world smitten with an incurable disease, and he dare n t withhold it, for to do so he hazards his life, his peace and acceptance with God. What a great work is the preachers. What responsibility rest upon them.

Can they accomplish it and yet be ignorant of its purport? Can they administer effectively a remedy of which they are ignorant? Probably there is no nation in the world in great need of a simple gospel than the Negro living in many sections of the South.

Some preachers have mistook ranting for the gospel, and it is an evil, the effects of which is felt and seen hundreds of our people will not accept anything else but this mock gospel.

There are hundreds of this stripe who cannot preach a particle gospel. Can such men better the condition of our people? Can these sensational exertions reach the condition of the people? Jesus Christ was a practical preacher and such were his disciples, and the modern preacher must be the same to reach and elevate our people.

W. A. McGHEE,
North Carrollton, Miss.

Club Entertainment.

Sheffield, Ala., Special.—The Silver Leaf club gave an entertainment on the 29th ult., and a very enjoyable time was had by all in attendance. The Missionary Baptist church is progressing nicely under the pastorate of Rev. W. M. Carter. Persons wishing The Freeman will please call on our agent, Bennie Parham.

Pertinent Pick-ups.

McKeesport, Pa, Special—A grand ball was given by the Harlem club at Coliseum hall, on the 11th inst. Music was furnished by Kelly's orchestra. Prizes were given to the best cake walkers and waltzers.

BEST ON THE AMERICAN STAGE.

World's Fair Band Gives Third Grand Ball—Against "Jim Crowism."

St. Louis, Mo., Special.—Hogan's "Smart Set" opened at the Imperial on the 2d to a crowded house, and was considered by all to be one of the best on the American stage. J. E. Adams sends best regards to Lloyd Cooper, Housley Bros. and R. O. Henderson. The World's Fair Band will give their third grand ball at Stolen's hall on the 19th. All the churches and societies met at their respective meeting places and elected delegates to go to Jefferson City to protest against the "jim crow" bill, which is now pending before the legislature. The leading musicians of the city have declared that the ragtime opera which is now being written by Scott Joplin, will be the finest thing of the kind ever produced. Louis Coppridge's World's Fair band and orchestra is the real thing in this city.

News from Old Kentucky.

Nicholasville, Ky., Special.—The Baptists closed their meeting on Friday night, Jan 30. They were very successful. There were 88 added to the church, 65 for baptism, two by relation and 18 restored, 4 watchcare. "Go ye into the world and preach the gospel to every creature." This is the mission that was given by Christ to the first church, and His church has been doing that every since. We have 15,000 colored Baptist churches in America, 14,000 ordained ministers, 1 855,334 members. We have 35 Baptist churches in Africa, 2,050 members, 19 ordained ministers, 12 day schools and 3 industrial schools. We are doing what the Master said. We have sent the following divines from Nicholasville: Rev. John Johnson, Rev. Nathan Walker, James Dudley, Cary Smothers, D. D., William Smothers, Levi Gray, William Price, George Wide and William H. Williams. Dr. Smothers and Price are among the best of Kentucky, while W. H. Williams, the youngest pastor in the State, is climbing very fast. Rev. Gray is a great revivalist and George Wide has one of the best churches in Cincinnati. James Martin is still on the sick list. Nicholasville fire department has a horse. I wonder what will happen in the next one hundred years? John Smith, grocer and undertaker, Robert Fletcher, John Baits, N. Price, Henry Fry, Ollie Elmore, Alex Spillman, Mollie Clayborn, Cora Miller, Emanuel Jackson and Flimmon Black are helping to solve the great Negro problem. If we had a few more like these the problem would be very easy. The Christian church Sunday-school began the new year with a new superintendent, Prof. C H. Borican, Under his direction, with his able corps of assistants, it promises to be a success. In order to stimulate interest in the school he has formed two clubs—the "Blues" and the "Orange." For three months these clubs will strive to see which can get the greatest number of pupils in the school, the winners to be treated to ice cream and cake by the losing club. That great interest in the contest is being taken is indicated by the fact that the membership was increased fifty per cent. the first Sunday. Here's to the Blue and Orange. May the best man win. Read The Freeman and keep posted.

The Tennessee Central Railroad Nearing Completion.

Clarksville, Tenn., Special.—The work on the Tennessee Central railroad is rapidly progressing, and within the next six months this city may be on the side of an "eve of good feeling." The construction gangs have entered the city limits and are fast paving the way for the right of way, which runs directly through South Clarksville. D. B. Rives, one of the best known real estate dealers in this section, died suddenly at his home in the East End recently. Crawford Farley, formerly of Chicago, Ill., has located here. He has opened up a swell cafe for ladies and gents on Franklin street in the East End. Mrs. Elmer Strong and little son Herbert, who have had a pleasant five-months' stay here as the guest of Mrs. Sam Garneh on Boston street, will return to their western home February 17. Mrs. Strong is favorably known here in social and educational circles. She will be given a royal adieu. Mrs. Nettie Hawkins Garth, an esteemed young lady, expired at her home Jan. 25th. Her funeral was attended on the 26th at Wesley Chapel, the Rev. Stoner officiating. The public schools have just held their quarterly examinations, and the prospects for a good school term are most flattering. Dr. Robert T. Burt, the prominent physician of McMinnville, Tenn., who has located here, is doing a fine business. Dr. R. G. Martin of Memphis, Tenn., was in the city on business. J. P. Steele, J. D. White and D. B. Rice have opened up a cozy barbershop at 111 S. First street, where they are permanently located. Miss Lulu E. King has returned from St. Louis, Mo. Sam Steele, one of Uncle Sam's mail carriers, who has been on the sick list, has recovered and is on duty. N. R. Kimbrough, a veteran mail carrier and former Freeman correspondent, is contemplating a visit to Chicago, Ill., this spring.

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SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

Since our last issue, we are glad to announce, that the Department of Blacksmithing and Wheelwrighting has been put into operation. The work is moving along nicely and there now stands on the floor of the well equipped shop a large Baker's delivery wagon ready to be shipped to Marion, Indiana.

We extend our congratulations to The Freeman upon its excellent Christmas number. The Freeman always gets there.—The Florida Christin Recorder.

The Freeman's Christmas edition was a gem. In Literary quality, typographical neatness and artistic make-up, it exceeded anything we have ever seen in

MISS LAURA HARLAN,
School Teacher, Kansas City, Kan.

Negro Journalsm Brother Knox has scored a distinct triumph, and one in which the entire craft take pride.—The Colored American Washington, D C.

The Sam Huston College Bulletin, in speaking of the needs of that college says:

1. We need $15,000 for a boys' dormitory. Our new building is filled with girls, and we have four in many rooms. We are renting cottages for boys. Who will give us $10,000 or $5,000? The Conference will give the other.

2. We need a fire.proof library? A distinguished preacher and educator who has a fine library has promised to give us his books if we will build a fire proof building for them.

3 We need a range on which we can cook for 200 borders.

4. Who will give us $50 to name a room?

"The Scroll" is a neat little publication by the Atlanta University. It has the following to say of that University: "It is a Christian Institution, unsectarian in its management and influence wholly controlled by an independent Board of Trustees, and receiving no aid from city, state or national government or benevolent society. Has 300 students in College, Normal, College preparatory and English courses, under 27 officers and teachers."

Church Notes.

Logansport, Ind, Special.—Rev. Pettiford of Kokomo has extended an invitation to the people of the A. M. E. church for his next quarterly meeting. Many are preparing to attend. The Young People's Literary are preparing for a unique social. The program rendered Sunday evening, Feb. 1st, by the W. M. M. S. was excellent. The rally promises to be a grand one.

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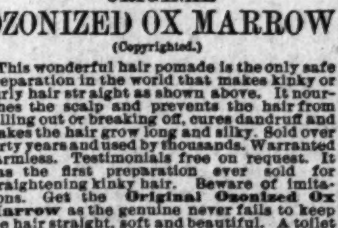

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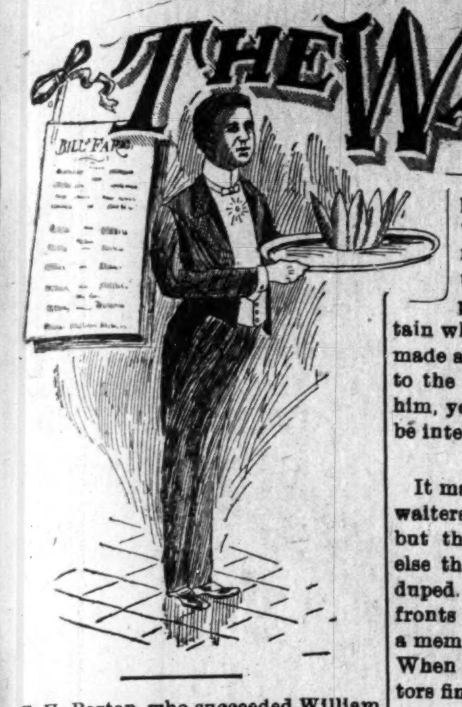

C. H. Barton, who succeeded William Parker as headwaiter at the Illinois hotel, Bloomington, Ill., recently, is reported as doing fine and giving general satisfaction to all concerned.

The waiters of Cairo and Mound City, Ill., gave a banquet and social at the Mound City Opera House, Feb. 10th, which was quite successful. The committee on arrangements deserve much credit for the success of the affair.

The white elevator men employed at the Palmer house, Chicago, Ill., went out on a strike recently, and a crew of colored men were immediately installed in their plac , and the Palmer house is doing business at the same old stand.

The colored waiters of Hyde Park district, Chicago, met at a hall at 56th street and Lake avenue recently to consider the proposition to become members of the Waiters' and Bartenders' Union. The Hyde Park district is composed of the Beach, Hyde Park, Windermere, Del Prado and Holland hotels, all of which employ colored waiters.

Every now and then we receive reports of certain headwaiters who compel the sidewaiters to room at their houses and buy uniforms of them at extortionate prices. It is said that a certain white headwaiter in Chicago has made a snug fortune in selling costumes to the colored waiters employed under him, yet the Chicago waiters claim to be intelligent.

It may be well enough for the colored waiters of Chicago to join the union, but they must keep their eyes open or else they will find that they have been duped. The greatest danger that confronts the colored waiter on becoming a member of the union is racial feeling. When the hotel and restaurant proprietors find that they must pay the colored waiters the same salary and accord them the same treatment as they do the white waiters, then the racial feeling will crop out and the white waiters will invariably be given the preference while the colored union waiter will be unable to find anything to do.

Goins' Book for Colored Waiters Complimented Abroad.

The American Colored Waiter is the title of a booklet sent us by Mr. John Willy, who publishes the neatly got up and practical Hotel Monthly of Chicago. The Negro's services are largely utilized by hotel keepers and caterers in the States, and the colored waiter is quite an American institution. If only he were as observant, intelligent and imbued with the practical common sense of his countryman—one John B. Goins—who is responsible for this booklet, he would indeed be a treasure. Mr. Goins, himself a full-blooded Negro, has given the results of his long experience as headwaiter in a terse, clear and understandable way, the many diagrams he presents of laid tables being obviously helpful. He is a great believer in the practical drilling of the waiting staffs, and is careful to impress upon his coworkers the importance of promptitude, neatness and cleanliness. These are special points he emphasizes:

1. Service must be your Golden Text (rather vague this.)
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On the whole, excellent, but necessary advice to those who "stand and wait."—London Caterer.

Bon Air Hotel Item.

The Bon Air is budding with favorable signs of blooming soon, with E. N. Jennings as headwaiter assisted by Albert Walker. For the benefit of the well wishes of the Bon Air boys I will give a list of them in the near future. Of course many of the hearts that were broken last year will take on new life as they will now find a balm that Gilead failed to supply.

Law Against Tipping Asked.

Representative Paul has introduced in the Colorado Legislature an act to prohibit the giving or accepting of "tips" for service on Pullman and other sleeping, parlor, or boudoir or dining cars within Colorado. The bill makes it unlawful for passengers to "tip" the porter, conductor, brakeman, waiter, or any other servant or employe. Also, it will be unlawful for an employe to receive a "tip," and provides that notices to this effect shall be posted in the cars. For violation a fine is provided of not less than $50 for the first offense. For a failure to post notices against tips a fine of $50 for each day the notice is not posted is provided.

The head bell men of Cleveland, O, have formed an organization, the purpose of which is to protect the hotels from dishonest and incompetent bell boys. The name of the organization is "Head Bellmen's Protective Association." Any bell boy who gets discharged from one hotel cannot be employed in any of the other hotels. The officers are:

President—J. O Conner of the Hollenden hotel.

Vice-president—C. J. Crawford of the Weddell house.

Secretary—N. N. Powell of the Forest City house.

The following is the crew at the Mexican Gulf hotel, Pass Christian, Miss, this season: Lott L Lee, headwaiter; Joseph S. Davis, captain; Allen Johnson, captain; W. H Spurlock secretary; Nereal Jackson, linen man; Albert Jollevett, Elder Hatcher, George S Field and Charlie Blan. This is said to be one of the best crews that ever run the Mexican Gulf hotel Mr Lott Lee is a young man and is well experienced in hotel dining room work Messrs. Davis and Johnson, his two captains, are old experienced waiters, having worked in some of the leading hotels North and South The hotel is run by a colored crew. The kitchen is run by experienced colored cooks, Mr. Dave Webster of Detroit, Mich, is chief, John Dennis of New Orleans, La, is second. We also have Miss Bessie White of Indianapolis, Ind., in our town.

Frank S Moss, formerly of Cleveland, Ohio, now headwaiter at the Carroll hotel, Vicksburg, Miss., is one of our most promising young men. He is well known in Cleveland, O, and has always stood at the head of the list as a waiter and an officer. He is meeting with great success in his present position, so much so that his manger has said he believes he has the best headwaiter in the Southern States. He is one of the honorary members of the headwaiter's association.

C. H. Barton has succeeded Headwaiter William Parker at the new Illinois hotel, Bloomington, Ill. Mr. Barton is a pupil of John B. Goins, the well-known author of the "American Colored Waiter." Mr. Barton was formerly third waiter at the Louisville hotel, Louisville, Ky., and second at the Baden hotel, West Baden, Ind.

The Hotel Brotherhood of Philadelphia was presented, recently, for the decoration of their hall, a full size crayon picture of Frederick Douglass by Mr. Howard Murray. C. J. Perry made the presentation speech. James E. Johnson is president of the brotherhood.

The many friends of James F. Adair of New York City will be pleased to learn that he has recently taken a U. S. civil service examination in that city for the custom house service. He sends best regards to all friends in the hotel fraternity.

Mr. B. Holman, headwaiter of the Albion hotel, St Paul, Minn., would like to know the whereabouts of Mr John Lindsey, chef cook; would like to correspond with him on very important business. Please reply at once. 14 tf

Mr. W. H. Van Dusen, whose whereabouts were unknown, has been found. His number is 527 Mahoming avenue, Youngstown, Ohio.

News from Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Pa, Special.—The True Reformers had a big meeting Thursday night, Jan. 29, at Bethel church. Rev. Taylor, grand master, was at his best. Rev. Credit has returned from St. Louis, Mo. The Green hotel waiters give their annual ball on the 12th inst. Miss Evelyn Henderson is recovering from a three-weeks' sick spell. The Grand United Order of Odd Fellows installed their grand officers. Send your news for The Freeman to C S. Holliday, 1126 Pine street. The Standard Quartette are making a hit at Goodall's club. For a pleasant hour at night go to Goodall's club. There you meet friends from all over the country. There is a fortune in singing, but fortune is slipping away by the whisky route. Men of talent, don't let rum get the best of you. The Freeman is on sale at the Gem barbershop, 1126 Pine street. Pleasant C. Lewis, better known as "P. C." is improving in health fast Keep your eye on the three "V" social club. Read The Freeman if you love your race. For sale at 1126 Pine street

Church and Social News.

Moberly, Mo, Special.—Rev. Robinson is carrying on revival at the Fifth Street Baptist church. Dudley Baker has returned from Lincoln Institute. Will Saunders and family have moved to Chicago for permanent residence. Ben Davenport has returned to his home in St Louis Miss Mary Jackson has gone to Peoria, Ill, to reside. Prof. R L. Logan was in the city on the 1st. Miss Mattie Hicks, of Sturgeon, Mo., is a guest of Mrs. Amanda Coates. Mrs. Ida Ashby has gone to Marshalltown, Ia, to reside. Earnest Kirby has returned from St. Louis. The Caron Toles Concert company showed in Huntsville last week to a crowded house. John White is making a hit singing "I got mine." Mrs. Viola Penny, of Jacksonville, visited here recently. The B. Y. P. U. gave an entertainment at the Baptist church on the 31st ult., and an excellent program was rendered. Prof. E L Scruggs, of Western College, Macon Mo, was in the city on the 1st. Leonidas Hurt has recovered from his recent illness Mrs. Hester Bealy spent several days in New Franklin recently.

Terse, Timely Topics.

Memphis, Tenn., Special.—John McDaniels, a fireman on the I. C. railroad, died on the 29th ult., from injuries received in a wreck. N. L Edwards, one of the colored men recently indicted by the grand jury, was acquitted. Brook Allen and Miss Esther Gusson were married on the 29th. The wedding was quite a swell aff air. Mrs. Anna Robinson, of Hot Springs, Ark., is visiting friends in the city. John Reed has returned to the city after an absence of two years. Mr. and Mrs. Morris Larry are the parents of a 12 pound baby girl. Messrs. Louis Hendson and Chas. Crocker, of Jacksonville, are among the late arrivals. The colored people have held several meetings to devise ways and means of combatting the "jim crow" car law.

Society and Personal Notes.

Washington, Pa., Special.—Misses Bessie Grant, Sallie Jones, William Dougherty and James E. Moe, of Wheeling, W. Va., were recent guests of Miss Libbie Skinner. Henry Moore left on the 2d for Mt. Pleasant, O., to visit his parents. Henry Ritcher has returned from a visit to Pittsburg. Mrs. Pearl Thomas is recovering from her recent illness. H. Williams, who has been sick for several weeks, is out again. Rev D F. Callman, pastor of St. Paul A. M. E. church, is still carrying on a revival, which is meeting with success. William Moore, who went to Mt Pleasant, O, to attend the wedding of his sister, has returned home. Edward Howard died on the 29th ult., after an illness of one month. He leaves a wife and four children. The Freeman is on sale at Wilk Chapman's barber shop every Saturday.

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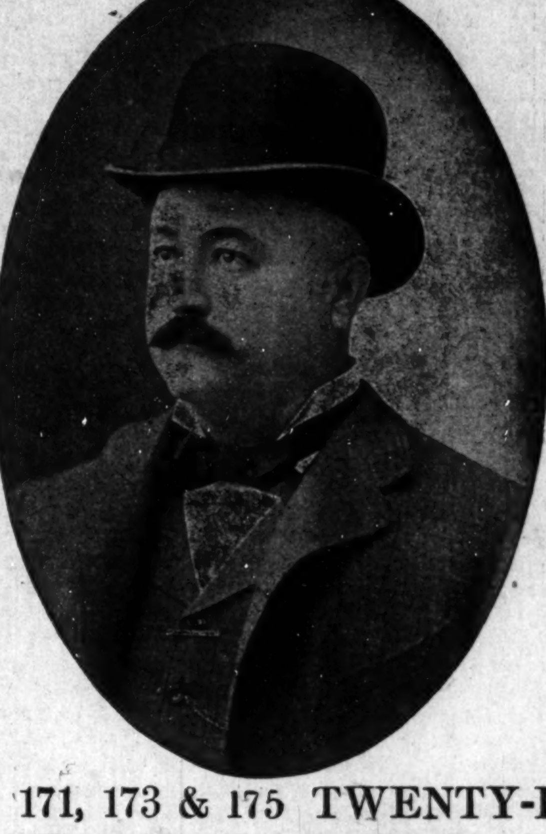

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A BILL TO PENSION EX-SLAVES

Anent the bill introduced in the Senate last week to pension the ex-slave the Atlanta Journal rises to say:

"Let the Republicans quit bluffing and get down to business. The South is ready for their slave-pensioning scheme whenever they are. Quit playing politics with the Negroes, give them a pension sure enough. No forty acres and a mule story this time.

"After all, there is something in the theory that the ex-slave is entitled to a little extra consideration from the government. By the government's act he was turned loose on the world without a penny and without a home, except that which his old master gave him. He had citizenship and responsibility thrust upon him when he was wholly unfitted therefor.

"No Southern white man will begrudge one of them any bounty that the government cares at this late day to offer him. We know of few ex slaves who are not worthy of it. God never made whiter hearts or blacker skins than some of these old darkies wear."

It all sounds very well; just the logic that is being put forth by those truly interested; just the logic we would put forth if it were not for that other nightmare; pay for the slaves. Regardless of the Atlanta Journal's philanthropical outburst there are others to be reckoned with. It is very likely that out of the contention will grow that correllary; pay for the slaves, which, of course, is not an occasion for tears on our part, but which would not be conducive to the health of the treasury department of our government.

The fact that Senator Hanna has introduced the measure lends it an air of expectancy, for it is believed that he would not lend his name and influence to anything that was misleading, and especially as it concerns this class—old slaves—who have suffered every disadvantage that flesh is heir to.

The Senator's name in connection with the bill has made it sound "good," yet we still insist that those expecting benefits and the promoters of the measure be not unduly elated, for the proposition carries with it the possibilities of vast expenditures of money and vaster perplexities incident to establishing right of claim, etc. We urge this, not to discourage those who hope; they are worthy of support. But it would be cruel to pretend that the scheme was even a probability. It is possible, of course, and we hope that it will succeed.

Mr. Hanna, in introducing the bill, has lent it vigor and vitality, and he, in a sense, is responsible for its treatment in Congress and its final outcome. We have not looked with much favor on the passage of such a measure for the reason given above. But if the Atlanta Journal voices the sentiment of the South, if the South, waiving its claims to consideration as to pay for ex-slaves, its formerly governmentally conceded rights as property, then it is but right to stand for the scheme that is meritorious because it has in mind the good of the old and helpless.

We would be more sanguine of success, however, if the proposition had in mind the establishment of homes for the indigent ex-slaves to be maintained by the government. It is more sensible, reasonable, more to be hoped, even if it is not so appealing as a money in the hand proposition. The Atlanta Journal has it right when it says that "by the government's act he was turned loose on the world without a penny and without a home except that which his old master gave him." The government has never studied the philosophy of the situation, and the Negroes, many of whom were then old, were so intoxicated with the air of freedom that want and misery were secondary considerations. Homes for ex-slaves will be a fair substitute for the pensioning scheme provided the latter proves impracticable or inexpedient.

CALL HIM DOWN.

At a meeting held in Washington by some of the government men of the race, James H. Hays, a Negro lawyer of Richmond, Va., among other things, said:

"Let me tell the Southern people right here and now that if any such outrages are inflicted on any of our people there will be a rising of our people, and the Southland will be laid waste in blood and desolation. We are not going to start something until the Southern people begin to stop something. We do not intend to be crushed any longer. We will assert our rights, not by argument, not intellectually, but physically, by force of arms, and with weapons in our hands."—Exchange.

As to the above, perhaps the better thing would be to pass it by, but it is now going the rounds of the press, and the vicious sentiment, while only representing Mr. Hays, yet more than Mr. Hays is receiving the "benefit" He claims that he was not correctly reported, and for his good and for that of the rest of us, it is to be hoped that he was not. But, notwithstanding his protest, he has made some kind of an incendiary speech. The "Colored American" of Washington inveighs against him; it was on the scene.

The Hays episode again proves the necessity of thoughtful, cautious leaders, men that understand the philosophy of the situation, those of tactful resources, gaining their ends by the force of intellect and not by the force of arms. "War is hell," according to General Sherman, and he is excellent authority. Mr. Hays may have had in mind the utterances of vituperative white men, but he must remember that just such things constitute the race question or is the result of it. It is not ours to fight fire with fire, and the reason is obvious enough.

The sane conserving forces of this country are not yet dead, and are still to be relied on as they were in the 60's. But the revolution will be a peaceful one—one of sentiment, which is already on the horizon led by the great captains of philanthrophy and Christlike endeavor. Mr. Hays nor the rest of us need not expect a total assimilation of races in this country, but the greatest possible is expected under the new order of things. It may fail; but we rather expect not; but fail or otherwise, our only duty is to watch, wait and work in the interest of the promised relief and not impede it by hot heads and loose mouths that ought to be gagged. We are optimistic enough to believe that behind the clouds the sun is still shining. We plight our love and faith to the conserving sense, to the great heart of the majority, the great virgin heart of the nation that suffers no defilement by the rancorous virus of implacable enmity.

Bishop H. M Turner writes to inform us that his immigration scheme is no dream, and that we cannot laugh it down. We don't know where the bishop got the idea that we ever attempted to laugh it down. We hold now, as ever, that the Negroes have a right and ought to keep an eye open to an opportunity for their betterment. But they don't want to be deluded or hurrahed off without knowing what they are doing. Reports from Hawaii, Liberia and other countries of the dark races are flattering. It is up to the Negroes of the United States; they can choose to go or stay; there is no compulsion in the matter. But it is wisdom to spread out if it is thought beneficial. It is in accordance with the law of self preservation. Now, dear bishop, you are eminently right, but you are dynamical—your propelling propensity is strong; it smacks off compulsion and the Negro mule-nature rebels, that's all. The bishop is admired none the less. His notion of ultra freedom is what it should be—enjoying the rights and privileges enjoyed by any other man. But these do not come in a day. We are in a preeminent historical age; picturesquely so. Those who in after years when chronicling our times will write it down so. The bishop is in advance of his day

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While the managers of the St. Louis exhibit are conceding a Negro exhibit the legislature is preparing for "Jim Crow" cars. Is it the outgrowth of the first contention? Verily we live in a mixed age. The Negroes are contending for things that help. "Jim Crow" cars do not help. An exhibition of Negro endeavor will help. Either is a violation of governmental principle, but the one strives to bring about proper conditions while the other attempts to defer them. Cut out the "Jim Crow" cars. Let Missouri compromise.

Representative Murphy of Missouri has called Walter M. Farmer and other prominent colored men of that State together in the effort to defeat the proposed "Jim Crow" car legislation. Among them are Dr. W. P. Curtis, Dr. D. P. Roberts, Rev. E O. Cole, Captain Thomas Campbell, A. W. Lloyd, S. W. Starks, J. D. Miller, Philip H. Murry, Peter H. Clark, Arthur D. Langston, David E. Gordon and Hutchins Irge These men, Representative Murphy says, represent the law, medicine, ministry, the press, educational and other callings.

It is said that after much opposition the managers of the St. Louis Exposition have consented to the proposition as to a Negro exhibit. Under the conditions the decision will be considered wise since the opportunities to display Negro ability is meagre and limited. Ability is what counts. Lights hid under bushels may be lights, but they are not seen and shine to no purpose whatever.

A white man found guilty of rape at Waxahachie was let off with a sentence of ten years. Our courts should do better than that —Houston Daily Post.

Your court did fairly well, everything being considered. The "Houston Van," a colored paper, says: 'If it had been one of Aunt Hagar's children the best citizens of the community would have robbed the court of the opportunity of having a say in the matter." The Van is judging from the experiences of the past, but it is to be hoped that both rape and rope will soon be numbered with things that were. It is a matter for favorable comment that the charge of rape is not nearly so frequent as it was a few years ago. And it is a matter for unfavorable comment that the mobbing spirit has not declined with the declension of the first motive.

Having received so many inquiries why no more of Augustus M. Hodges (B. Square's) story, "Three Men and a Woman," has been published since the publication of chapter X in our issue of Jan. 31st, we beg leave to state that Mr. Hodges has been suffering from inflamation of the eyes and has been unable to copy the three remaining chapters for The Freeman selected from his book, "Three Men and a Woman," now in press, and would not leave the work to others—not even to his daughter, who is his clerk and typewriter. We are pleased to say that the conclusion of our part of the story will be published soon—perhaps in our next issue.

The Guardian of Boston proposes a Negro convention for the near future, the object being to discuss questions that concern the race and to shape the political policy for the future. The Freeman is for a convention if it will have in mind the good of the whole race and not merely a political appendage or annex. The political situation, while demanding attention, is not the whole thing. The industrial and moral situation should be a part of the program of such convention, and thus disabuse the public mind of the idea that it is the whole thing with colored men.

Competition makes it necessary that barbers keep respectable places. Legislation in their interest is not needed near so much as it is in other places that might be mentioned.

"The sun do move." The G. A. R. of Boston have elected a Negro as vice-commander over two white candidates. Score again for "Bosting," the cradle of liberty. What next?

Prof. Booker T Washington is eminent in his field. Others might grow likewise in their spheres if they would put in less time noseing after him.

COMMENTS OF THE NEGRO PRESS

President Roosevelt has declared that he will not slam the door of hope in any man's face because of his race. He has declared for character and worth and for manhood of merit, and in doing so he has made a declaration not in favor of Negroes, but in favor of humanity — Dallas (Texas) Express.

Our white friends need not be alarmed because forsooth, a Negro, high up in official life, attended a public reception given by the chief magistrate of the nation. The Negro is not seeking social equality with the whites, for he is satisfied with his own socially. We only ask that we be allowed to exercise in peace those functions which official prestige and preferment call for.—The Reformer, Richmond, Va.

Christ was hated because he seemed to be friendly to the Gentile. Roosevelt seems to be hated by the Southern white man because he is inclined to recognize the Negro as a man. The President pleases God. Who are men?—Methodist Intelligencer, Baltimore, Md.

We hear almost as little comment over Mr. Roosevelt having two colored gentlemen and a colored lady at a white house reception recently as we heard when our Democratic friend, Grover Cleveland, had several of our race at a reception during his term as president. —The American Citizen.

Rev. Ernest Lyon, a scholar and christian gentleman of Baltimore, Md, has been appointed minister to Liberia to succeed Dr. J. A. Crossland. President Roosevelt is the most popular man with the 10 000,000 Negroes of this country since the days of Abraham Lincoln — The Memphis Evening Striker.

President Roosevelt has caused a great deal of illfeeling in the Southern States first by appointing a Negro postmistress and then by naming an educated Negro, Dr. Crum, as collector of Custom at Charleston. The president makes no claim to equalize the black with the whites, and is probably very far from thinking that racial differences are or can be obliterated, but he refuses, as it were, to slam the door irrevocably in the face of the Negro citizens, however well educated and respectable, and to give them no place whatever in the national life. In our view the president's action is entirely justifiable. We do not think it possible to regard the two races as on an equality, but because one would not marry one's daughter to a Negro one need not deny him justice and fair dealing. And it is fair that a certain proportion of Negroes fit for office should be given office and not be absolutely excluded from every part of the administration —London Spectator.

The Afro-American Council has made a long stride forward in the right direction when they endorsed Dr. Crum for the collector of the port of Charleston, S. C., and commended and endorsed President Roosevelt and his administration. We commend the action of the Council most heartily, and trust their vigilance in all matters affecting the interest of the race for good will ever continue in full force. The interest of the race along all lines must be carefully guarded, ably defended and properly utilized by the guardians thereof. Traitors of the race to-day can do us more harm than at any other time in the near or distant future.—Hamistic Palladium, Charleston, S. C.

President Roosevelt invited Hon. John C. Dancy, recorder of deeds, and Hon. Judson Lyons register of the treasury to the reception given at the White House in honor of the Judiciary The Negro-hating journals of the South immediately set up a howl, but were considerably "cooled off" when they were reminded of the fact that President Cleveland (Democrat) had invited the late Hon. Frederick Douglass to the White House on a similar occasion. It is now stated that no Southerner can be found in Washington who will admit that he left the White House on account of the presence of these distinguished Afro-Americans. To emphasize his attitude, it is now announced that the President has invited the recently appointed Assistant United States District Attorney W. H. Lewis (colored) and his wife to visit the White House. We are of the opinion that it is time for the conservative, justice-loving white men of the southland to take some steps toward the discouragement of the disposition of certain Negro-haters in making fools of themselves. —Richmond (Va) Planet.

Thank God, we have the best and bravest president that has ever occupied the Executive Mansion; one who does not think that a color that a wise God has given a person is a disgrace, but is ever ready to recognize back of it character and ability, and, according to his sacred oath, is fearlessly endeavoring regardless of his future interest to be the Chief Magistrate, not of a class, but of all the people who have a right to breathe and move under the American flag. The God of hosts who is with our christian president will in due time bring everything right. "Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people."—Star of Zion, North Carolina.

A Statement to the Public.

The news sent out by the Birmingham papers connecting Prof W. H. Councill with some meeting which is to take place in May in reference to affairs in the South is erroneous. Prof. Councill has not been able to attend to any business for many weeks, and is now in the Seventh Day Adventist Sanitarium at Nashville, Tenn, for treatment. He knows nothing about this meeting, and has never authorized anybody to use his name in connection therewith, and has never been consulted about it. I am quite sure that he is interested in everything for the unification of the races in the South and the common interest of all, but he knows nothing of this meeting.

S. L. MABEN, Secretary.

Normal, Ala., Feb. 9, 1903

The regular date for the State Farmers Conference for the Negroes of Arkansas has been fixed at March 4, 1903, notwithstanding other dates have appeared in the weekly and daily press heretofore. The meeting will be held in Little Rock at the place to be subsequently selected by the Little Rock members of the executive committee Please do not fail to do your best to help us make the meeting a success in every way.

Very truly yours,
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THE RACE'S LEADER!

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cation is best served when equitable laws are made, and when administrative officers are chosen who will protect the Negro from unjust taxation, unfair proscription and improper treatment in the courts; that his influence at the White House is as an unselfish citizen, counselling for the right when summoned, and not to promote individual candidacies.

14. That Dr. Washington has not by statement or implication endorsed the elimination of the Negro from the suffrage in the Southern states, but he emphasized the supreme value to our people of intelligence, ownership of property, thrift and character, because every revised constitution in the South had placed a premium upon those qualifications—never condoning for a moment the mal-administration of criminal registrars or the cruel restrictions of the illogical "grandfather's clause."

15. That in short, the Negro in business, politics, industries and everywhere must be genuine, self-reliant, courageous, tactful in demeanor, practical in thought, just in his dealings and make a place that he can lay claim to as his own—that the world to-day demands the individual who can "do things" and do them right.

DR. WASHINGTON'S LEADERSHIP.

These paragraphs summerize the position of Dr. Washington upon the main points criticized by his opponents. We think Mr. Thompson has amply covered the ground and hurled to the winds the sophistry of the Trotters, Forbes and Ferrises. Can any right thinking person find fault with the principles here enunciated? We invite the freest and fullest discussion.

Dr. Washington's leadership is not threatened. It is built upon the rock of eternal truth, and the puny shafts of malice and jealousy cannot move it. He speaks for the race by the best warrant, and his voice will never be less potent with the powers of the earth than they are to-day—his influence will grow as the good seed he is now planting in fertile soil, will grow—deep rooted and strong.

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MALLORY BROS. (Feuberg Stock, Co.)—Waltham, Mass, Feb. 16 to 21.

A SMART SET—Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 16, 17 and 18.

THE HOTTEST COON IN DIXIE.—Canton, O., Feb. 16; Akron, 17; Kent, 18; Ravenna, 19; Alliance, 21; Wheeling, W. Va., 23, 24 and 25.

BLACK PATTI TROUBADOURS (Voelckel & Nolan) Clanton, Mo., Feb. 16; Springfield, 17; Memphis, Tenn., 19 to 20.

Amos S. Gilliard is at the Buckingham Theater, Tampa, Fla.

Miss Sallie Lee wishes to hear from Alberta Ormes. Write her to 188 E. Elm, Columbus, Ohio.

Manager Zimmerman offers the Bohemian Burlesquers for next week's attraction at the Empire.

Printice Oliver, singing and dancing comedian, last year with P. G. Lowery's vaudeville company, is at Shaw, Miss.

Attention is called to the inquiry for an entertainer of good ability and good character to assist quartet in concert work.

Ernest Hogan and Billy McClain, in "The Smart Set," open at the Park Theater, Indianapolis, Monday, Feb. 16, for three days.

P. G. Lowery would like to hear from Jas. H. Harris, trombone, from Topeka. Write him to Reece, Kans. Important business.

Lawrence Chenault, the well known tenor, who is now in California, writes that he will return east shortly for a visit with his relatives in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Sylvester Russell announces that he will become a comedy playwright, providing he can receive a commission from parties who are able to pay him for his labors.

J. W. Jenkins, formerly of South Before the War Company, better known as mamma of them all, is now running the Hotel Jenkins, known as the actors' rest, in Pittsburg, Pa.

Harry Royston is resting up at his home in Knoxville, Tenn., waiting for the opening of the coming season. He sends regards to all colored members of the Oriental Carnival Company.

The Crosbys are now in charge of the Blue Ribbon Theater, Louisville, Ky. Miss Irene Gaines, late of the Black Patti Troubadours, is with them, and wishes to be remembered to professional friends.

A series of statements to be given out as a suggestive proposition leading up to the establishment of an actors' fund will probably appear in the Freeman during the month of April. Due notice will be given in a succeeding issue.

A constant reader wants to know the whereabouts of Captain Santiago, colored, high diver. He was formerly from Springfield, Ill. His original name is Arvall Terrell. Any one knowing his address kindly advise or write Fred Burton, No. 638 State street, Salt Lake City, Utah.

McKissick and Jones are with the Hottest Coon in Dixie Company, and you know the rest. They are rehearsing a new acrobatic knockabout act that is full of ginger from start to finish. The name of it will be "Milinda is Engaged to a Coon."

The Walls and the Pettitts are arranging to put out another company in addition to the Electric Concert Company, under the name of the Honolulu Komedy Company, special paper having been received from the Great Western Printing Company, of St. Louis, Mo.

Notes from Gem Theater, Fernandina, Fla.—Mr. George Swanger, proprietor; Richard Cross, stage manager. Roster of company: Seaman Brown, comedian and mimic; Miss Annie Parris, soubrette and coon shouter; Miss Lottie Dempsey, sweet singer; Mr. Bubba Fleming, Henry Mack and Josh Jenkins, general performers; Richard Cross, comedian and dancer.

P. G. Lowery is fast arranging matters for his two progressive musical enterprises. No. 1 company will be with the 4 Paw & Sells circus. No. 2 will be with the L. Fore paugh's Wild West Company. No. 1 will have twenty-five under the full management of P. G. Lowery. Company No. 2 will have fifteen people, with H. Qualli Clark as musical director. Calls for both companies will appear in the Freeman two weeks before rehearsal.

The Metropolitan Colored Amusement Company, of Louisville, Ky., under the management of Joseph Clark, Jr., has signed with Pawnee Bill's Wild West Company, which will open at Pittsburg, Pa., May 2. The following is the company's roster: Joseph Clark, Jr., the Crosbys, Orma and Harry, Clark B. Ferguson, the Blacks, Perry and Leona, Robert Clark, Sarah Dunn, Nettie Jones and Steve Breckenridge.

Notes from Gideon's Minstrels.—We are in Illinois; business is good and all are well. J. R. Johnson joined us at Kansas City. A. R. Hutchins sends regards to the Hendersons and would like to hear from Henry McCamon and Sam Johnson. Eli Rice sends regards to the Campbell Bros., Clarence Powell and the Housley Bros. Our quartette, Eli Rice first tenor, Arthur Moss second tenor, Allen Sauls first bass and J. R. Johnson second bass, is said to be the best that the Gideon Minstrels ever had.

Notes from Buckingham Theater, Tampa, Fla.—Chappelle Bros., owners; Pat Chappelle, business manager and D. Ireland Thomas, stage director; with twenty people on the stage and a brass band and orchestra, this house has to do the business. Every one seems contented. This week the A. G. Allen Minstrels gave a performance to a packed tent. After the show they visited the Buckingham and had a good time. Mr. Pat Chappelle has commenced to get things in readiness for the opening of the road show, A Rabbit's Foot Company. This season this show will be bigger and better than ever. Season opens April 6th. He can place musicians and performers who can double. See ad. in another column.

Notes from Domino Theater, Fernandina, Fla.—Our show is among the best of the South and giving great satis faction. Among our holdovers are Miss Carrie Hall, coon shouter, who is singing with success, "I'm Getting Awful Lazy," with curtain calls nightly; Miss Estella Jones, serio-comic, featuring "When the Sun Goes Down;" Father Kinnie, singing and dancing comedian, making them laugh; Miss Virgie De Owens, cake walker and coon shouter, coming; Miss Rosa Payne, soubrette. Miss Minnie Carrol closed a very successful engagement here of ten weeks, and will open at Palm Beach in a few days. John W. Dennis, of the team of Dennis and Jones, is singing with success, "Oh, Oh, O'Brien." Regards to all in the profession.

Napoleon Johnson writes from Big Minstrel Festival: We have finished our stands down the Florida east coast, and to say we were successful financially as well as socially would be putting it mild. Being the first show of our kind to play West Palm Beach, our managers are well pleased with the showing we made. As this was my first trip to Florida, also a number of the boys, our extra time was taken up in fishing and sight-seeing, and most noted among souvenirs sent home were cocoanuts in the hull sent through the mail; also shells, etc. Much credit is due Mr. Joseph E. Wright and Miss Daisy Rosette Molding, assisted by A. B. Wright, Ella Ballum, Gus King, Sam Wilson, James Carter and W. M. Harris for the swell reception given us at Griswold's Cafe in Brunswick, Ga. The supper was served in family style, and as Joe Wright has traveled abroad as well as in this country and is very up-to-date in esrving banquets, money was not spared in making this the swellest affair of the season. Also, in Savannah I was told that Tom Logan had a special for the boys, but as we had to leave at 12:10 only a few had a chance to make a flying call and see a part of the show that was on. In Savannah Billy Kersands received a fine bunch of winter flowers from one of his white friends, who wished him continued success during his travels. In Augusta, on the 6th, it made the second town this season we played where there was a lynching the same day. From information I received from both white and colored people, after sifting it down I came to the conclusion that there is many an innocent man in the penitentiary. A hint.

Notes from the Famous Georgia Minstrel Company.—We are at last finishing up in Iowa, though it has not been bad for us. We will skip across Missouri into Kansas next week, only hoping to find as good a business as we have had in Iowa and as nice a treatment, which is utterly impossible. This may seem perplexing or curious to some of our readers, but the inhabitants of this country with a limited traveling experience have not the most distant idea of the vast difference in the laws of the different States, all in the same country, viz.: America. In one State the colored man can ride if he has the price, and in an adjoining State he is not allowed to ride at all. In one State we find you can eat if you have the price, and in the next or adjoining State we can not eat, price or no price, unless we put it into our pockets and run around a corner or up into an alley and eat. But we are proud to say of Iowa that the people of that State are intellectual and full of common sense, such as the average American, no matter how well he is educated, seems or proves not to have, and are called by other great countries barbarians, a name they deserve to the letter. And the day is not far distant when this unfinished idea of the Americans, with all the greatness they possess, will drop a link or two into nothing but common sense, and it is then when she will be entitled to the name of the greatest country on earth. How you call a country intelligent, how can you call a country progressive at this date when its natives are so divided as the Americans are to-day? How can you love the laws of a country that in the major portions of it you could not, no matter if you had one hundred dollars in your pocket, register and buy your own mother a bed or a single meal, and we are more than sorry to say that it is a perfect shame that such people as the southerners of to-day, who certainly retard all intellectual measures, all progress and real life and liberty in our country, should have even a voice in the making and execution of laws in this or any other country.

Chicago, Ill., Notes.—The Vaughners opened this week at St. Paul in vaudeville, playing the leading houses. Success to you both. They send regards to old friends. * * Bailey and Spiller, one of the greatest sketch and musical teams in the profession, barring none, are pleasing big audiences at the Trocardero. They send regards to all their friends and well wishes. * * P. R. Hendrix sends regards to Mme. Marie Richardson, Al and Mamie Hohman, Miller, of the Hottest Coon in Dixie; Ernest Hogan, Billy McClain, Jerry Mills and H. Norris Jackson, of Smart Set Company. * * McCarver Bros. are laying off in Chicago this week, owing to the illness of Harry Reed's mother, who was called away, he being one of the team. They are looking fine, and contemplate on taking out a new attraction. * * Mose Terry and Charles Pass Arnold are still in the city wearing the same old smiling faces as of yore. * * Cook and Jones are still here, and they are open for engagements. * * William Dixon had a birthday party last Monday evening, at his residence, and all his friends were invited, but owing to the fact that Senator Marcus Hanna is introducing a bill pensioning ex-slaves, causes him to prefer not to state his age until after its passing, so I learn from headquarters. * * Prof. Fred Carey, who has been quite ill, is up and around again, and for the past week he and Daddy Love can be seen with their heads together contemplating on putting something new before the public. Watch and wait. * * The Smart Set are making Mme. Sadie Citizen an offer to join their musical aggregation. We hope she will accept their offer and make good. * * William Dixon sends regards to Tom Lewis, Will Hedgepath, J. Gilliam and McKissick and Jones, of the Hottest Coon in Dixie Company, and all other good roadsters. Also, hello Geo. Bryant, Lon Desdienes, Harris, Pap West and little Willie Washington. Howdy, Heine Carter, Old Chummy Past Grand Master Snigle, Double and Triple Nelson degrees. Good-bye. * * It is an evident fact that C. W. Williams, of the sketch artist team, Williams and Stevens, is meeting with great success as manager of the vaudeville house of Mr. J. L. Peters. They have had to add more tables and chairs for the accommodation of the patrons. There is a beautiful bar and cafe in connection, and the house throughout is conducted in a respectable manner. Change of bill weekly, with good attractions. As a monologuist, Gus Stevens is coming. They send regards to all.

ERNEST HOGAN'S DILEMMA.

By Sylvester Russell.

How shall I dress next season? Shall I try to make the "Smart Set" a legitimate show? Will Billy McClain be willing? Would Mr. Hill, our manager, favor the proposition? Would any of the strong specialty artists retaliate?

These are some of the vexatious problems which confront Mr. Hogan's histrionic welfare for the next coming season.

"I'm puzzled to know what kind of a hat to wear?" Wear anything but an old Irish stovepipe, Mr. Hogan. Hogan has a real acting part, and one in which his manager should give him the benefits of being a full-fledged star. But this is a delicate subject to introduce in the face of an all-star cast such as they have in the Smart Set company. Yet, still, for the sake of traditions, I will venture to introduce it. It is part of Hogan's dilemma. He wanted to star; he tried hard for a long time and succeeded in getting a full-start character part. I don't know where he got it from, but he got it and I am duty bound to push a good thing along when I see it, whether I like to do so or not. Hogan is a good fellow; he knows enough not to tmper with what the recognized critic says. He has not wasted any time with the "cat's paws." He plays with the kittens; he knows they won't scratch; and if they do they can't hurt him—what is a mere scratch? When the dear western country, full of love and sympathy, sees Hogan, they will decide that real criticism is not so very unkind after all. Hogan can afford to laugh in his boots over the scoring of his illegitimate proclivities. He can shed genuine tears, if he will, at his dilemma, if the legitimate standard of the "Smart Set" is not adopted. Hogan will not scold the critic for horsewhipping him up the hill. He knows theatrical business is hilly country and that each traveler must take his own medicine prescribed for him by the doctor, critic or clodhopper. He knows clodhoppers are fierce people. He knows when they take up for an actor they ruin him. He who sprung up from Clodhopperville knows the doings of the cloddies. He plays with puppies without taking them up in his arms. They never can lick his mouth.

As an actor, he realizes that he is Hogan, but we have no objections to this; he is a sociable man personally, and that is a very favorable circumstance. When he sings his own song, "I Am the Missionary Man," he means to sing it from the heart, but we can tell better by the extent of his disposition to contribute to charity.

To sing of charity and not contribute to it is a woeful folly.

Mr. Hogan will also be handicapped by a change in the original cast of the "Smart Set" on his western tour. The Jersey City shooting affray may have also shattered his nervous system. All these things detract from his starhood. If Billy McClain had been killed by a bullet, the end of Hogan's present chances would have been at stake, but McClain still lives and Hogan's starring chances still remain as good as ever.

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Songs and Singers.

Baby Mildred, of the "I Just Struck Town" Company, is featuring "Nobody Ever Brings Presents to Me," "Johnny in the Army" and "Pay Attention to Me."

Robert Harty, of the West minstrels, is singing "I Feel so Very Lonely," the latest song hit by Fay and Oliver.

The clever comedienne, Stella Mayhew, has added John T. Kelley's "Julianna" to go with her other song successes, "I Want a Ping Pong Man" and "Babe, Oh Babe!"

Ira Kesner is making a big hit with Lamb and Bratton's pretty ballad, "Somebody's Waiting 'Neath Southern Skies."

Smith and Fuller have introduced "Creepy Creeps" in their clever musical act.

Fred Trusdell is making a big hit in "In Loveland," by Davis and Heckler, and "Our Own," by Ford and Bratton.

Miss Lavendar, of the Lavendar & Thompson Company, is singing "Something Tells Me So," by Heelan and Brachman.

Greta Leroy has added "Molly Shannon" to her list of song successes.

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Pertinent Pick-ups.

Mound City, Ill., special: Mrs. Ida Kinard is very sick. * * Dr. Fields, of Cairo, was called Sunday to attend Mrs. Minnie Acorn, who is seriously ill. * * Miss Nina Manere, of Cairo, spent Sunday with her mother in this city. * * Chas. Penn is on the sick list. * * Rev. McDonald, an evangelist, formerly of Huntsville, Ala., but now of Mayfield, Ky., is assisting Rev. Donaldson in the revival meeting here. * * John L. Turnbo, D. G. M. of the G. U. O. of O. F., met with Dexter Lodge Tuesday evening. * * The Daughters of the Tabernacle were favored by a visit from their District Deputy, P. E. P. C. Cooper, of Springfield, Wednesday evening. * * Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Perryman entertained at dinner the 7th, Revs. McDonald and A. J. Donaldson. * * Mrs. George Kelley proved herself to be quite an entertaining hostess in the arrangement of such an elaborate dinner, at which were present P. C. Cooper, P. E., Rev. H. C. Burton, Mrs. Hattie Perryman. * * Misses Mittie Foulks and Flora Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hudson, Mesdames Persia Duncan and Maggie Tansil were entertained at dinner Sunday in Cairo by Mrs. Carrie Fields on the occasion of the double birthday of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hudson. * * The Farrington property is being repaired. * * W. D. Perkins was in the city Sunday. * * The annual carnival of the porters and waiters of the St. Charles occurred Tuesday evening at the opera house. Particulars will be given later. * * The G. U. O. of O. F. announces a very novel entertainment to occur March 4th. A contest is one of the features, in which Misses Martha Bolen, Bertha Smith and Flora Howard are principals. Buying a ticket from either of those ladies means a vote for her. * * A case of smallpox is reported beyond the cemetery. * * Henry Williams solicits your patronage when in need of a lunch, board, etc. * * Len Armstrong has returned.

Pertinent, Pithy Pickings.

Decatur, Ill., special: Mr. Wm. Collins and Miss Gertrude Page were married at the home of the bride's parents, Saturday, February 7, by Rev. A. T. Jackson. * * The Ladies' A. M. E. Sewing Circle met at the residence of Mrs. A. T. Jackson Friday afternoon. After the general routine of business refreshments were served. They report enjoyable meetings. * * Mr. Samuel E. Moore has recently composed a song entitled "Oh, King," arranged especially for bass soloists. * * Harry Moore, the well known pianist, played an engagement in Mattoon, Ill., Thursday. * * Mrs. Edna Lawson left for ner home in Chicago after an extended visit with relatives. * * Messrs. George Carter and Charles Wilson spent Saturday in Bloomington, Ill. * * Miss Clanton, of New Orleans, is visiting friends and relatives here. Miss Jennie Holland is visiting in St. Louis, Mo. * * Read the Freeman every Saturday. John F. Moore, 778 N. Mercer street.

Society and Personal Notes.

Eufaula, Ala., special: Rev. C. J. Hatcher, pastor of the A. M. E. Church, is an excellent preacher. His members are delighted with him. * * Mr. John A. Ward, the leading colored merchant of Eufaula, can still be found at the same stand. He carries a nice line of groceries and dry goods and has an up-to-date restaurant. * * We are sorry to say that we have in our community some colored people who will not pay five cents a week for a colored newspaper. What a shame! * * Mr. Gus Askew, the well-known blacksmith, is still at the same place. * * For nice meals and a fresh copy of the Freeman go to J. E. Nelm's, in Hart's Block. * * The members and friends of the First Baptist Church are delighted with the pastor, Rev. E. L. Randall. He is an excellent speaker. * * Mr. Ab Scott and Mr. Fred Blakey spent last Sunday in Montgomery, Ala. * * Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bonier are happy over the arrival of a fine girl. * * Messrs. A. Malone & Bros. run a grocery store on Eufaula street. Call on them. * * The Freeman sold like hot cakes last week.

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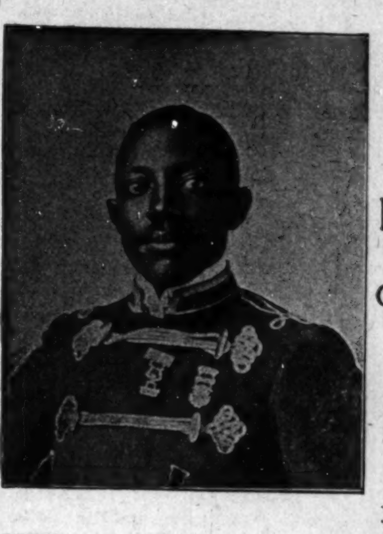

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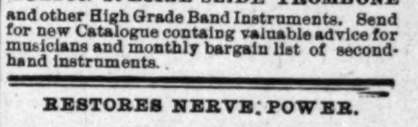

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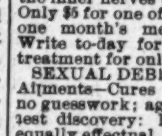

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Women are reclaiming some of the abandoned farms of the eastern states by converting them into poultry and fruit farms.

The best timothy hay is quoted at $14 per ton in the larger cities this winter, which price and the very large yield of timothy in 1902 make the growing of this crop a profitable business.

Forty-eight smart Indiana girls have started for North Dakota in response to the call of the 500 bachelors who are holding down claims in that state and want wives. This is more sensible than organizing a woman's club.

We hate to see a fine farm homestead disfigured by advertising—some fake medicine or clothing ad. displayed on the roof of the barn or corncrib. Such ads. are a sure sign to fakirs and peddler sharks that a sucker lives there.

Consolidation in the alleged interest of economy of operation can be carried too far, the failure of the Elgin Creamery company, with 8,000 farmer patrons settling at 40 cents on the dollar its $300,000 obligations, being an instance. Stick to your home organizations.

That durbar flummididdle business cost the people of India over $5,000,000, and when the next short crop comes, which is about every fifth year, they will be passing the hat—just like some white men who can find money to go to the circus even if they are living on public charity.

Six hundred of the better class of German citizens sat down recently to a banquet, the meat dishes of the menu being wholly horseflesh. It was got up by the Society For the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, this society wishing to prove that the old horse was better fattened for food than worked to death.

One inducement for the old farmer to retain his home on his farm is the great difference in the rate of taxation which prevails between the country districts and our modern municipalities. The cost of municipal government constantly increases. The tax on an average $20,000 farm is, say, $65, while the city tax on the same amount of moneys and credits would not be far from $300.

The present secretary of agriculture is a pronounced optimist, and for that he commands our sincere respect, for optimists do something, see something and stir up the better side of humanity. He sees government irrigation, once a dream, now a reality, and the growing of our own sugar to be sold to the consumer at the low price of 2 cents a pound a practical possibility in the near future.

A northern man who moved to Arkansas five years ago with very limited means writes us extolling the advantages of that country as a home for the poor man. He says that land of good, fair quality can be obtained as low as $5 per acre, that no colored people are to be found in the county, that fruit of all kinds does exceedingly well, that the health of the people is unusually good and that the great need of the south is the incoming of energetic, live northern farmers to develop its splendid possibilities.

We want to say a word about the morality and patriotism connected with the payment of small obligations. We have found in our experience that it is easier to collect $50 from some people than it is the paltry sum of half a dollar. A man's credit in the community in which he lives is largely determined by the fidelity and promptness with which he meets his small obligations. This applies with special force in the case of men with limited means to whom a creditable financial rating to the extent of their ability is often of the very greatest value.

"Does it pay to put a lightning rod on the barn?" we are asked. Frankly, we do not know. Figures for 1902 show that in a western state fifty odd barns were struck by lightning and that none of these were rodded. Then there were thousands of barns not rodded which were not struck either. Theoretically if the rod is of the right sort and is properly put up it should form a protection, but when the points glisten on the roof and the earth connection is defective or destroyed it is a standing invitation to Jove to drop a bolt and smite the property of a fool. We have more faith in a good insurance policy than in a lightning rod.

Men make money where it takes ten acres to feed one steer, but it is not a pleasant country to do business in.

The congressmen are sending out their allotment of seeds to their granger constituents. Just the same old farce as ever.

We find that it does not pay to try to fruit the raspberry more than three or four years. It is more profitable to dig the old bushes up and set out new ones.

Poultry farming bids fair to pay better hereafter than ever before, and a pleasant and most profitable business is within easy reach of any enterprising man or woman.

The care of the calf for the first year largely determines its value as a beef animal. It should never be anything else than a miniature beef critter—always full, always fat.

The good milk cow is more than likely to be homely, as is the good brood mare or brood sow. Maternity and beauty of form and appearance do not go together in these cases.

Two cars of lemons en route for the east were caught in a blizzard. One car was got out and run into a roundhouse, where the lemons all froze; the other, left on the track, was buried up in a huge snowdrift, and never a lemon froze.

Everything in the cellar will keep better if the temperature can be kept just above the freezing point. Most cellars are kept too warm and are too poorly ventilated. When potatoes begin to sprout, you may know that your cellar is too warm.

Georgia is fast becoming the great peach state of the Union. Peaches pay better than cotton, and as the growing of fruit requires a higher order of intelligence than the growing of fiber the civilization of the state is benefited as well as its pocketbook.

Old pastures can be greatly improved by an early spring disking and the sowing of a little medium clover on them. Blue grass on certain soils often gets hidebound, and nothing is so good for it as to rip it all to pieces. It can't be killed by such treatment, but is always benefited.

Four hundred and fifty bright young men, farmers' sons and their kind, attended the two weeks' special course at Ames (Ia.) Agricultural college this winter, stock feeding and judging and corn culture being taught by experienced men. This is the second year this plan has been tried, and it is a great success.

This man is one of many. He bought four cent steers to get rid of a crop of soft corn. It took about two bushels of soft corn to go as far as one bushel of hard corn. When the steers were about half fed, his corn gave out, and he was up against the alternative of buying Kansas corn at 40 cents or letting the steers go at 3 cents, and he let them go as the easiest way out of a bad deal.

A section of the west famous for many years for its great crops of onions, a crop of 400 or 500 bushels per acre being a common thing forty years ago, now counts a crop of 150 bushels per acre a good one, this fact being in line with the well established truth that no one crop can be produced in large excess in any place and escape the law of deterioration both in quantity and quality of crop.

A friend in Missouri writes us that squirrels do not hoard up a supply of nuts for the winter in any one place, but bury them in the earth here and there, where they are dug out as needed in winter. This is one of nature's cute ways of securing a distribution of seed, the nuts thus scattered being given just the right treatment to insure their germination in the spring, the squirrel not using them all for food.

Rye is not estimated at its true value as a fall and early spring forage crop up in the north country where the snow falls. Sown on the cut cornfield in September, then pastured till snow comes and again as soon as it disappears in the spring, it pays well even if the remnant is plowed under in May for other crops. Grass seed sown on such a field in March is almost invariably a sure catch. This fall and spring rye pasture is just the thing for the dairy cows.

An Illinois reader wants to get a piece of corn land into pasture as quickly as possible in the spring, and asks how he had better do it. We would put the land in the best possible shape with either disk or plow as soon as the ground was fit to work, sow two bushels of oats, six quarts of timothy and three of clover to the acre, and turn the cows in as soon as the oats were four or five inches high. Along the last of June or as soon as the oats not fed off got headed out I would run a mower over the field, when the timothy and clover would show up and make a good pasture from then on.

A country which waged an expensive war to liberate and regenerate a weak and helpless people from a purely humanitarian standpoint ought to have sense enough to so legislate as to rid its own people of the evils of food adulteration. Let the next war be waged on the rascals who wax fat on frauds perpetrated upon and quietly submitted to by the American people—the dopers, fixers, mixers, adulterators and swindlers who in a wholesale way rob our pocketbooks and ruin our digestion, the borax-formaldehyde-preservative and salicylic crowd who would eat out the lining of any man's gizzard to make a quarter.

LIVING CLOSE TO THE SOIL.

The advanced cost of the products of land is very sharply calling attention to the old truth that the closer a man lives to the soil the better he is off. The tendency has been of late years to get away from the soil, anywhere, any business, as far removed from it as possible. If the needs of the food which the soil produces could have been also got rid of it would not have mattered so much, but do what we will the old problem of something to eat is before us all three times a day 365 days in the year. When a man entirely cuts loose from the soil, he becomes at once dependent. As an illustration of what we mean we give the bill of fare of a meal, and this particular meal is only a type of many which, on the writer's own table, invited and precipitated a discussion on this line. The flour of which the bread was composed, the coffee and the condiments were not produced on the farm or in the garden, but everything else on the table was—meat, butter, eggs, all the vegetables, fruits, pickles—a list of choice food products which, had they been bought, would represent a large slice of a good salary each year. Then the absolute wholesomeness and purity of such food produced at home count for not a little—the heaping panful of strawberries just fresh from the garden, the fresh laid eggs, the Jersey cream—a pitcherful. When a man has to buy these things, only the few can afford such liberality. Then, better than all, is the daily consciousness of being able to do it all yourself, the feeling of independence realized, and the resulting development of all the better side of one's nature in the doing of it. The typical American home of the coming years will be one where all this may be done, where man will still retain his God ordained connection with the soil, to his benefit both mentally, morally and physically.

SOME LESSONS OF 1902.

Some valuable lessons have been learned as a result of the peculiar climatic conditions which marked the growing season of 1902, the wet summer, as it is now known, when between four and five feet of rainfall had to be cared for in the great Mississippi valley. One is that twice the average rainfall as it came last season will insure twice the average crop of grass and hay, and with this has developed the fact that such excessive growth of grass is greatly inferior in nutritive value compared with the product of the average year. Another thing we note is that in such a year of surplus rainfall a vast amount of plant food stored up during preceding dry years is made available for plant growth, evidenced by the almost abnormal growth of foliage and new wood on all trees and shrubs. We further note that excessive moisture is in a large measure fatal to parasitic life. We cannot recall a year when all forms of parasites, even to flies were held in such complete subjection. The season saved many a man the need of a hydrographic survey of his farm, and he has been enabled to determine just what portions of it needed either surface or under drainage. Some lessons of value have also been learned regarding the cultivation and harvesting of crops, and hereafter the effort to harvest and save the crop will be at least as much of a consideration with him as the growing of it.

OUR TAME GRASSES.

Many men seed down fields with timothy with the idea that such a change will rest and recuperate the soil. A mistake is made here, for while clover will do this thing timothy will not. Timothy is an exhaustive crop on the soil, especially where it is permitted to mature a seed crop. The rotation with this crop will tend to clean the weeds out, and the decaying roots when the sod is turned over furnish a certain amount of humus, which is of value. It is about this way with the grasses common to the north half of the country—blue grass makes the best permanent pasture, timothy makes the best selling hay and the seed crop is usually a profitable one, clover furnishes the best balanced forage crop and is a soil renovator, brome grass has a place where timothy and clover will not do well for want of sufficient moisture.

CALL THIS MAN DOWN.

A word to the presiding officers of farmers' institutes. Enforce a time limit on the persistent, driveling, wandering speaker who is simply stuck on the sound of his own voice. These fellows destroy the interest and strangle the life out of such meetings. Invite something from the many rather than let the time be monopolized by the few. Class meeting institutes are always good ones. Because a man sits still in the audience it is no sign that he does not know and cannot tell something of much interest and value to the audience. The very best things brought out in these meetings are the personal and practical experiences of successful men of the community where such meeting is held.

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Gone to Her Reward.

Hannibal, Mo, Special —Mrs Fisher died on the 27th ult. The funeral was held at the A. M. E church, Rev I. H Welch officiating, assisted by visiting ministers. The church was crowded. Miss Ida Hamilton died on the 1st. The school building of Prof. Gall caught on fire last week, but was only slightly damaged. All the churches in the city are carrying on revivals.

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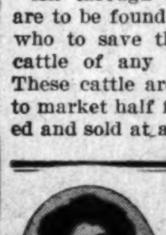

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A Lady of New Iberia, La.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 17. 1902.
Madame McNairdee, Indianapolis, Ind.:
Dear Madame.— Your letter like a ray of sunshine, came duly to hand and I am very pleased with it, for every word of it were true; I am sorry that I did not write to you months ago. I enclose $6.00 for your service, hoping that you may be successful in bringing about desired results. I feel quite sure that you can. I am very sorry to hear of your being ill, and sincerely hope your speedy recovery.

Molino, Fla., Nov. 14, 1902.
Madame:—You are the proper person in the proper place. All that you say is true and all you do is good. May God bless you.
F J.

Guntersville, Ala., Oct 26, 1902.
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A Lady of Fort Gibson, Ind. T.

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Copies of The Freeman can be found every Saturday at Johnson Bros.' shaving parlor, 101 Malvern avenue; Henry F. Foster general agent. 36 Aspen street.

Copies of The Freeman can be secured from H. B. Brooks 1025 John street, Cincinnati, O.

The Freeman papers can be found every Saturday at Lou. Washington's restaurant and lunch-room, 5528 Lake avenue, Chicago, Ill; phone 1154, Isaac Toulbert, News Agent.

THE GRAND FOUNTAIN OF THE UNITED ORDER OF TRUE REFORMERS

Is the leading colored Fraternal Society of the United States. It was organized January 1881 by William H. Browne and chartered in April 1883 under the laws of the State of Virginia with headquarters at Richmond, Va. Its membership is both male and female and consists of all persons of good health from fourteen to sixty years of age. Its membership of 60,000 is divided into Fountains and Circles. It pays sick benefits from $1.50 to $2.50 per week and pays death benefits from $24.50 to $1,000.00.

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Total benefits paid to date: Sick Dues, $1,500,000.00; Death Benefits, $714,378.75.

SENIOR FOUNTAINS.

A Fountain may be organized consisting of twenty or more persons not over fifty years of age paying a joining fee of from $4.60 to $5.10 each. The monthly dues are not less than thirty-five cents in rural districts and not less than fifty cents per month in towns and cities and a semi annual tax of forty cents paid in January and July of each year. Sick benefits paid are from $1.50 to $2.50 per week, while death benefits range from $75.00 to $125.00. A Fountain may be organised in any locality on application to Rev. W. L. Taylor, G. W. Master, or to any of his authorized deputies.

ROSEBUDS.

For the proper training of the young and their development in thrift, industry and brotherly love, there has been formed a Children's Department known as the Rosebuds. Twenty or more children not less than three nor more than fourteen years of age may from a Rosebud, upon the payment of $1.00 each. This department like the Senior Fountain pays sick benefits from $1.00 to twenty-five cents per week and death benefits from $24.50 to $37.00. The monthly dues are fifteen cents per month.

CLASSES.

Persons desiring to leave their beneficiaries at death a larger amount than is paid from Fountain department take out policies in one or more of the Classes of the Mutual benefit degree. The members of this degree are devided into Circles and pay joining fees and dues according to the following tables:

CLASS "B" TABLE

AGES.	Joining Fee.	Value of Certificate after 1 yr	Value of Certificate after 1 yr	Annual Dues	Q'rterly Dues
14 to 25	$ 2 50	$ 200 00	$ 100 00	$ 4 75	$ 1 20
25 to 30	2 75	200 00	100 00	4 75	1 20
30 to 35	3 00	200 00	100 00	4 75	1 20
35 to 40	3 25	200 00	100 00	5 70	1 43
40 to 45	3 50	140 00	70 00	5 79	1 43
45 to 50	3 75	115 00	58 00	6 65	1 66
50 to 55	4 00	90 00	45 00	6 65	1 66
55 to 60	4 25	65 00	33 00	7 60	1 90

CLASS "E" TABLE.

AGES.	Joining Fee	Value of Certificate after 1 yr	Value of Certificate before 1 yr	Annual Dues	Q'rterly Dues
14 to 25	$ 5 00	$ 500 00	$ 250 00	$ 9 50	$ 2 50
25 to 30	5 25	500 00	250 00	9 50	2 40
30 to 35	5 50	500 00	250 00	9 50	2 40
35 to 40	5 75	500 00	250 00	10 40	2 60
40 to 45	6 00	450 00	225 00	10 40	2 60
45 to 50	6 25	400 00	200 00	11 40	2 85
50 to 60	6 50	350 00	175 00	11 40	2 85

CLASS "M" TABLE.

AGES.	Joining Fee	Value of Certificate	Annual Dues	Quarterly Dues
14 to 30	$ 11 00	$ 1000 00	$ 21 00	$ 5 25
30 to 35	12 00	1000 00	22 00	5 50
35 to 40	12 00	900 00	23 00	5 75
40 to 45	13 00	800 00	24 00	6 00
45 to 50	13 00	700 00	25 00	6 25

REGALIA.

The members of the Fountains and Rosebuds of the organization wear no expensive regalia. The regalia of the organization is simple and its cost within the reach of all, costing from 10 cents to $350 the same is made by the organization in what is known as the Regalia Department.

THE SAVINGS BANK.

In March 1888, there was granted by the Legislature of Virginia, a charter to the Savings Bank of the Grand Fountian United Order of True Reformers, capital stock $100,000 00. The bank commenced bussiness April 3rd, 1889, and from that time down to the present has steadily increased in volume of business. It now has a paid-up capital stock of $100,000.00. From the humble sum of $1.268.69 deposited the first day the bank opened for business in 1889, the deposits have grown to $350,858.00, and the volume of business transacted amounts to $6,190,141.47. During the financial panic of 1893, the Savings Bank of the Grand Fountain was the only bank in the city of Richmond that did not cease to pay cash on all checks presented while the majority of other banks were using script and clearing-house checks. This bank had its origin in the brain of William W. Browne an ex-slave of Habersham county, Ga. The banking house is located at 604 N. Second Street, Richmond, Va., Rev. W. L. Taylor, President; R. T. Hill, Cashier.

REAL ESTATE DEPARTMENT

The Real Estate Department has charge of all the real property to the amount of $225,221.65, situated in various States, consisting of 18 magnificent buildings used as halls 8 dwellings, 1 hotel, 5 stores and 3 farms. It also has under its control 16 large buildings leased by it.

This department is under the management of Lawyer J. C. Robertson, Chief of Real Estate and Attorney for the organization, with offices at 604 N. Second street, Richmond, Va.

REFORMER'S MECANTILE AND INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION

Was chartered under the laws of the State of Virginia on the 14th day of December 1899 with principal office in the city of Richmond, Va. The purpose of this Association is to conduct stores (wholesale and retail) buy and sell real property, manage and control hotels, manufacturing establishments, and general business. The Association has in operation Hotel Reformer, 900 N. Sixth street, Richmond, Va. It is a modern up-to-date structure, heated by steam, cold and hot water baths, also electric cars passing the door. This hotel has accommodation for 150 guests. Mr. A. W. Holmes is manager and Mr. T. W. Taylor is clerk. It has in operation a system of five stores, located as follows: Richmond, Va.; Washington, D. C.; Manchester, Va.; Portsmouth, Va.; and Roanoke, Va. The first of these stores, at Richmond, Va., was opened April 3rd, 1900. It emyloys a force of eighteen men, runs three delivery wagons, and during the first year did $50,000 worth of business. The other stores have been established since and have been equally as prosperous. The General Manager of the system of stores is Mr. B. L. Jordan, headquarters at 608 N. Second street, Richmond, Va. This Association was formed on the plans and recommendations made by Rev. W. L. Taylor, its President.

THE REFORMER PRINTING DEPARTMENT

Issues a weekly journal, THE REFORMER, which has a circulation of 12,000. This paper is published in the interest of the race, and discusses the leading questions of the day. The subscription price is $1 per year, or 5c per single copy. The office is equipped with modern up-to-date machinery, run by electricity. It can print anything from a visiting card to a poster 12 by 62 inches. Fine job-work of every class and description is made a specialty at lowest prices. Mr. E. W. Brown is Editor and Business Manager, office 608 N. Second street, Richmond, Va. Correspondence solicited and agents wanted.

OLD FOLKS' HOME.

In September 1893, Rev. William W. Brown recommended the formation and establishment of Old Folks' Homes for the benefit of the old and decrepid members of the race. Since that time the valuable farm known as Westham, consisting of 634¼ acres, located six miles from Richmond, Va., on the historic "James" has been purchased at a cost of $14,400. The Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad runs through the farm and Westham Station is located on it. Adjoining this farm is Westhampton Park, one of the most pleasant resorts in the South in summer. It is reached in a few minutes from Richmond by the Westhampton Electrict Railway and the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway.

As this home is for the benefit of the whole race, the co-operation of all charitable friends is prayfully solicited. All contributions, donations and bequeaths of every character will be very thankfully received. Mr. T. W. Taylor is chief in charge of the Old Folks' Homes, offices at 608 N. Second street, Richmond, Va.

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SPORT

Edited By BREAKAWAY.

Jack Root and "Kid" McCoy have been matched to fight for the light heavyweight championship at Ft. Erie on March 17. It is hard to see where this pair can battle for such a championship when George Gardner has two victories over Root. However, championship or no championship, the battle ought to make an excellent drawing card. The men have been offered a purse of $5,000. No stipulation was made as to division, but Root, it is understood, is willing to go any old way and so there will be no exceptions as to this point. As the Ft. Erie people have no especial desires as to a local referee settling the decision it is more than likely that the two men will select George Siler. While McCoy has not signed articles or posted a forfeit he has announced that he will do so. He has accepted the match and it can be considered as almost certain to occur.

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Champion Jeffries has called Corbett through Otto Flotow, the well-known Denver sporting writer. In answer to a defi from Corbett that Corbett would give $2,000 to any man that would bring to him a signed set of articles or agreement for a battle with the champion. Jeffries informed Flotow that he would sign articles to fight Corbett to a finish at Carson City for a side bet of $10,000.

The condition was made that Corbett should deposit a check of $2 500 to the credit of Flotow in a reputable bank. It is now up to both men to make good. Jeffries will have to sign articles and post forfeits to guarantee that they will be carried out. Corbett will have to make good the $2,500 and then meet Jeffries's forfeits and agree to a finish fight, something he was not looking for. Corbett thinks he can worry through twenty-five rounds with the champion and best him sufficiently to get the decision. However, Jeffries would unquestionably bear down on his lighter opponent and finish him if he could in quicker time than on the occasion of their last meeting. A battle between the two now would be one that would unquestionably attract even a larger crowd than did the fight between Corbett and Fitzsimmons in the Nevada town.

The boxing game is a dead one in Chicago. Sheriff Barrett and Mayor Harrison have both announced this. Despite the fact that six round contests are not objected to by either the city or county officials the orders of the governor are to be followed to the letter.

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Robert Fitzsimmons, the ex-champion, is to re-enter the ring after his contract with Jeffries expires and he will defend the middleweight championship. Fitz says he will give Tommy Ryan the first chance. As to weight the old man says he can easily make the limit, for he has fought over one hundred battles and never weighed over one hundred and fifty-eight pounds. Fitz says his only reason for permitting Ryan to lay claim to the middleweight title was that he was always forced to fight heavyweights. Fitz says he is going to issue a challenge to all of the middleweights and that any of them can have his game. The old man will insist on side bets in all of his meetings with the middleweights and he hopes to pick up a handsome sum before he gets out of the going altogether. There will be no losers' end when Fitz makes up a match either, and this will certainly insure square fights.

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Terry McGovern is going abroad to meet Ben Jordan on Derby night and the Englishman is in for a good whipping. The boys are to weigh 126 pounds at 2 o'clock the afternoon of the day of the contest. This shows that both want to enter the ring close to 130 pounds. The amount of purse is $2,500 and the articles call for a side bet of the same amount. It is odds on chances that Terry will return rich in purse, for he ought to have very little trouble with the Englishman.

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Young Corbett will make a little hay while the governors are keeping him out of a meeting with McGovern. He will meet second raters whenever possible and pick up small bits until an opportunity is given for a meeting with Terry.

RACE GLEANINGS.

Phil. H. Waters, one of West Virginia's formost young colored Republicans has been tendered a position in the office of United State's Marshal at Charleston, West. Va.

The Seven Florida Creole girls, who are now touring Europe, are making a decided hit in the Variety Theatres and music halls. They are already booked until the 1st of August. They opened at Paris on last Thursday.

MRS. LULU BROWN-RICHARDSON,
Belle of Oklahoma.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie has accepted an invitation from Booker T. Washington to visit the Tuskegee Institute some time during the latter part of February or the first of March. Some months ago Mr. Carnege gave the money for the new library building at Tuskegee, and is becoming more and more interested in the work of the school.

A colored man in Montgomery county Alabama, has discovered three very rich veins of silver on his farm, for which he is offered $3,875,000.

A portrait of Bishop Hartzell is being painted by the Afro-American artist, Henry T. Tanner, now of Paris. Among Mr. Tanner's earliest and most helpful friends were Bishop and Mrs. Hartzell.

Orville McNorton, a colo ed man has a patent for a switch operating device which is claimed to revolutionize car shifting in railroad yards,

MRS. WILLIAM HILL,
St. Joseph, Mo.

Andrew Carnege has givn $25,000 and a building worth $50, 000, to the Loyal Legion of Labor, a society of colored people in Ohio, for educational purposes.

Mrs. Matthias Van Horn mother of U, S. Consul Van Horn, died last week at home in Princeton, N. J. She was one of the pioneers of that section.

The Washington Record gives Dick Milburn, a Philadelphia colored minstrel, man credit to the authorshi of the famous song "Listen to the Mocking Bird."

MISS ANGIE YOKUM,
Society Favorite, Leavenworth, Kan.

The colored citizens of South Carolin are pressing the claims of Col. A. C. Kaufmann for U. S. Marshal of their district.

West Virginai had one Afro-America member of the lower house of the state legislature when it met in January.

Nuggets New and Novel.

San Diego, Cal., Special.—Considerable commotion was caused recently when the Santa Fe train came in and upon a flat car was the $17,000 automobile of John W. Gates, the Wall street speculator and millionaire. Mrs. Curd, of Los Angeles, is visiting her brother in the city. Mr. Harris, of Los Angeles, is in the city on a business trip. Mr. Jamison, of Los Angeles, is in the city for a stay of several days. Mr. Jamison is a dealer in iron and junk, and stands high in the business world. A. J. Shelton, who has been ill, is reported some better. C. B. Robinson, of St. Thomas, W. I., has left for Chicago after of visit of several days in the city with friends.

New Knights of Pythias Lodge.

Denver, Col., Special.—On Friday evening, the 30th ult., a new lodge was instituted at the castle hall of Damon Lodge No. 5. A full set of officers were elected and the new lodge bids fair to prosper.

BY EDICT OF REX, THE KING,

The Big Four Route Announces Half Rates for Mardi Gras.

Round trip tickets to New Orleans, Mobile and Pensacola, Fla., will be on sale at very low rates from all points on the "Big Four" and D. & U. Ry. on February 17 to 22, 1903, inclusive. (Also on Feb. 23, for passongers arriving at destination not later than 12:00 noon on Feb. 24.) Tickets will be good for return passage leaving New Orleans, Mobile or Pensacola not later than Feb. 28, 1903, and may be extended to leave those points to and including March 14, 1903, by depositing ticket at Joint Agency at destination not earlier than Feb. 18, nor later than Feb. 28, 1903, and by payment of 50 cents fee. For full information and particulars as to rates, tickets, limits, etc., call on agents "Big Four Route," or address H. M. Bronson, A. G. P. A., Indianapolis.

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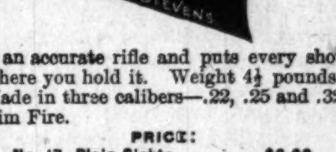

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CITY AND SOCIETY BRIEFS.

Rev. G. A. Sissle is in Chicago this week.

Rev. E. L. Gilliam is in Chicago this week.

John C. Bankett was in Muncie last week.

Mr. Edward McClellan, in 14th street, is very ill.

Campbell's Chapel will have communion to-morrow.

Mrs. Ada Goens is recovering from a six-weeks' illness.

Quarterly meeting at Simpson Chapel to-morrow afternoon

Miss Delilah Scott continues ill at her home in 15th street.

Miss Lucinda Puryear is ill at her home, 2116 Parker street.

Election of officers took place at Simpson Chapel Monday night.

Mrs. A. H. Henderson is ill at her home in North California street.

There was an entertainment given at Allen Chapel Wednesday evening.

Miss Mayme Clay has returned home from New York after an absence of one year.

Mrs. James N. Shelton entertained the Woman's Club at her residence in Douglass street.

Mrs. Anna Jefferson is suffering from inflamitory rheumatism at her home, 822 Blake street.

Ladies wanted at the Atlas Cloak House, 211 Indiana avenue, four doors from Illinois street.

Mrs. Charles Sneed has returned from Chicago, where she was called to the funeral of her sister-in-law.

Mrs. Lena Hill-Johnston of Chicago is in the city on account of the illness of her sister, Miss Lillian Hill.

Charles W. Love, who has been ill for some weeks, has recovered, and can be found at the "same old stand."

Mrs. Hattie Scott, foster mother of Mrs. G. A. Sissle, is very ill with gastritis at her home, 1708 Columbia ave.

Mr. Charles Coleman of Peoria, Ill., is visiting Miss Ida Bullett and Mrs. T. A. Stewart, 1134 N. Missouri street.

Rev. Prentise, pastor of Simpson Chapel, preached an interesting sermon Sunday evening. He is doing a good work.

Rev. H. A. Gibson, who has been out of the city holding revival meetings in St. Louis, Mo., for two weeks, has returned home.

Spring suits, silk and cloth skirts, the latest design, for half price at the Atlas Cloak House, 211 Indiana avenue, four doors from Illinois street.

Mrs. Lucretia Knox sang a solo during chapel exercises out to Butler College, Thursday morning. Miss Kate Stewart accompanied her.

Mr. Brown of Kokomo, Ind., was in the city this week attending the legislature in the interest of the barber bill. He was representing Logansport, Marion and Kokomo.

Mrs Lucretia L. Knox by request sang at Butler College, Thursday morning. This is her second appearance at that institution. It is highly complimentary to Mrs. Knox.

The recital by the pupils of Prof Damon, last Tuesday evening, at the Seventh Presbyterian church, was quite a success. The pupils showed remarkable proficiency for the short time he has been teaching them.

Many of Rev. Dr. Carr's friends in the Second Baptist church of this city have sent him two boxes of valuable presents. The doctor now resides in Savannah, Ga. He was formerly pastor of this church.

Mr. Taylor was in the city week before last as the guest of his sister, the Rev. Mrs. Martin Coleman, in Arch street. It was the first of their meeting in fifteen years. Mr. Taylor is a resident of the State of Utah, where he is farming and interested in mining. He is a very pleasing gentleman.

The revival service conducted by Dr. J. M. Townsend at Bethel A. M. E. church have been very successful. Up until this time there has been 128 accessions. The church, in the meanwhile, has been revived and an excellent spirit of good fellowship prevails. The meetings will continue another week.

Mr. Gramby, who died in Knightstown, was shipped here and buried from Allen Chapel, Monday evening. Mr. Gramby is a barber, and was the husband of the once Miss Anna Burst, who is well known in the East End. His mother resides in North New Jersey street. The remains were intered in Crown Hill.

Mr. Jefferson Sissemore of Marion, Ind., was in the city this week attending the legislature. He came in the interest of the barber bill. His son George was here also in the interest of the barber bill. Mr. George Sissemore is doing good work for the barbers, and the barbers of the State ought to appreciate him. He also subscribed for The Freeman for one year, and says that he could not have a better paper coming to his home.

PROF. DAMON WILL TOUR OHIO.

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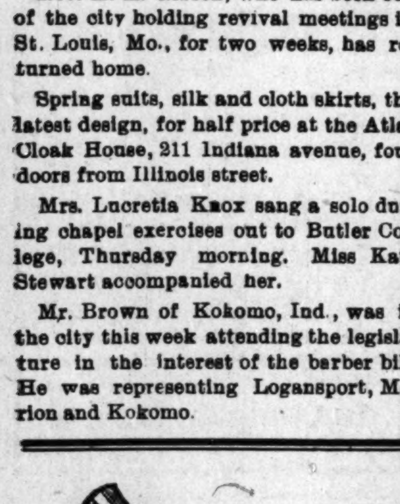

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BE IT KNOWN, That on the 10th day of Feb. 1903, the above named plaintiff, by his attorney, filed in the office of the Clerk of the circuit court of Marion county, in the state Indiana, his complaint against the above named defendant Maggie Carter and the said plaintiff having also filed in said Clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant, Maggie Carter is not a resident of the state of Indiana; and this cause is for divorce and that the last above named defendant is a necessary party thereto; and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto on the 8th day of April 1903.

NOW, THEREFORE, By order of said Court, said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against her and that unless she appears and answer or demur thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 8th day of April 1903 the same being the 3rd judicial day of a term of said Court, to be begun and held at the court house in the city of Indianapolis, on the 1st Monday in April 1903, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged, will be heard and determined in her absence.

WM. E. DAVIS, Clerk.

J. H. LOTT, Attorney for Plaintiff.

THE MARKET

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New Orleans, Feb. 9.—Cotton—Spot strong. Sales, 9,850 bales Ordinary, 7⅝c; good ordinary, 8⅛c; low middling, 8 9-16c; middling, 9⅛c; good middling, 9 9-16c; middling fair, 10¼c. Receipts, 10,760 bales; stock, 365,5'6 bales

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